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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of )  
Richard J. Ericson ) Examiner: Not Assigned  
on ELEVATOR SYSTEM ) Group Art Unit: 3615  
HAVING DRIVE MOTOR )  
LOCATED BELOW THE )  
ELEVATOR CAR )  
Serial No.: 09/162,821 )  
Filed on: September 29, 1998 ) (Our Docket No. 4167-11)

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Dear Sirs:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the references set forth below and listed on the attached form PTO-1449 are being brought to the attention of the Examiner for consideration in connection with the examination of the above-identified patent application. Copies of the cited references are enclosed.

<u>U.S. Patent No</u>	<u>Entitled</u>	<u>Dated</u>
1,071,309	Elevator Operating Mechanism	08/26/13
3,101,130	Elevator System in Which Drive Mechanism is Mounted Upon the Counterweight	08/20/63

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4,949,815	Sheave Array of a Self Propelled Elevator Using a Linear Motor on the Counterweight	08/21/90
5,429,211	Traction Sheave Elevator	07/04/95
5,435,417	Elevator Motor Placed in the Counterweight	07/25/95
5,469,937	Traction Sheave Elevator with Drive Machine Below	11/28/95
5,490,578	Structure for Attaching Elevator Machinery in a Building	02/13/96

<u>Foreign Patent No.</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Dated</u>
WO 96/09978	PCT	04/04/96
0 606 875 A1	Europe	01/10/94
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DE 296 15 921 U1	Germany	04/10/97
1 032 496	Australia	06/19/58
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1-242386	Japan	09/27/89
2 640 604	France	12/15/88

#### Other Documents

"Elevator Mechanical Design, Principles and Concepts", by Lubomir Janovsky, Ellis Horwood Limited (1987)

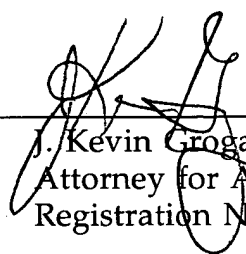
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It is respectfully requested the Examiner indicate consideration of the cited references by returning a copy of the attached form PTO-1449 with initials or other appropriate marks.

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